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1. The Hunchum Arsenal, consisting of seven associated plants, is in Ped. Shan (2014), Hunchum Hsien (130-22, 42-52), approximately two miles northeast of the Hunchum station. It was formerly occupied by the Japanese 134 Unit. it has been working exclusively for the Chinese Communist Army.

2. The monthly production of the arsenal is as follows:

170 trench mortars, 52 mm and 82 mm

2,000 hand grenades

600-700 76 mm shells

450-500 shells for trench mortars

40,000-42,000 bullets for 1199 and 1138 rifles

10,000-15,000 bullets for PPSH and 7.62 mm TT Tokarev pistols 17,000-20,000 bullets for 7.62 mm Moisin-Nagant M91/30 rifle

1,500 bayonets for M38 and M99 rifles

The first factory manufactures weapons; the fourth concentrates on ammunition.

- 3. Most of the raw material for the arsenal are obtained from the mitregen factory in Hungman, North Korea. Boxes holding incoming supplies are marked with the Hungman plant's name. The raw material, principally black powder and smoky (sic) explosive, is brought to Hunchun by rail and is handled under cover of darkness. Finished supplies are also shipped at night to Kirin, for forwarding to the 4 Field Army. All shipments are handled under strict guard of Chinese Communist troops.
- 4. Personnel of the arsenal include the following:

Deputy manager: LIN T'ao (A 🐧), age 43, artilloryman.*

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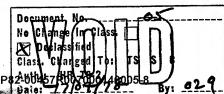
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Factory chiefs:

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First Factory: CHANG Shou-i.

Second Factory: CH'EN Ch'un-wei (PRAME), a age ho, formerly in Yivin Garrison Headquarters.

Third Factory: T'ANG Shih-hsueh (夏世景), age 31, GGP machen.

Pifth Factory: HSU Yao-yuan (在提展), age 39, formently in the 8 Route Army.

Sixth Factory: LI Mo-t'ing (李漢魔(, age 30.

Seventh Factory: MA Mauch-on (兵力五), age 35, engineer, major formerly in the 3 Fouts Arry.

- The plant employs 900 laborers, 48 clerks, and 110 technicisms, of whem 20 are Japaness and 16 Korean. Most of the personnel are in their thirdies, and about 6) percent of them have had previous military service. It is the arsenal policy not to hire local labor; the majority of employees are from other localities. The workers and technicians are billeted on the foctory premises and are not allowed to leave, but senior staff members may go outside. Working hours are four in the morning till 6 or 7 at night as 10 to 12 hours of work daily are required to meet the production program. The Communists are making every effort to increase production; Communist indoctrination and propaganda advocate longer hours and encourage rivalry among the workers.
- 6. The plant has some natural shelter from air attack. On the hillside back of the factory, about 800 Communist troops are stationed as guards.
- The factory buildings include the following (see Attachment A):

Main office: a one-story grey cement building with a grey slate roof, 25 by 15 meters.

Seven factory buildings: each one-story brick and studes, 50 by 25 meters.

Fourteen warehouses: one-story wooden buildings with stuccoed walls, 7 by 3 meters.

Comment. LIN Tao was reported an executive of the Kuantung Sino-Soviet Friendship Association in Kwantung in 1947. CHIEN Chaun-wei was commander of a Kuantung Communist military unit in 1946.

Attachment: Location of the Hunchun Factory.

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